

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently Amended) The in-plane switching mode liquid crystal display device according to claim 5 [[4]], wherein the first electrode includes data electrode and the second electrode includes common electrode.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) The in-plane switching mode liquid crystal display device according to claim 5 [[3]], wherein the passivation layer includes one of SiNx and SiOx.

5. (Currently Amended) An in-plane switching mode liquid crystal display device comprising:

first and second substrates;

a plurality of gate and data bus lines defining pixel regions and arranged on the first substrate;

a common line in the pixel region, the common line and the data bus lines having a crossing relationship;

a pair of first and second electrodes parallel to each other applying plane electric fields in the pixel regions; and

a liquid crystal layer between the first and second substrates;

wherein  $d\Delta n$  is in the range of 0.29-0.36 $\mu\text{m}$ , where  $d$  is the thickness of the liquid crystal layer, and  $\Delta n$  is the refractive anisotropy of the liquid crystal molecule;

a plurality of thin film transistors adjacent respective cross points of the gate and data bus lines, each of the thin film transistors including a gate electrode, a gate insulator, a semiconductor layer, and source and drain electrodes;

a passivation layer on the thin film transistors; and

a first alignment layer on the passivation layer;

~~The in-plane switching mode liquid crystal display device according to claim 3,~~ wherein the first alignment layer comprises one of ~~polyamide~~, polyimide, SiO<sub>2</sub>, polyvinylalcohol and polyamic acid.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) The in-plane switching mode liquid crystal display device according to claim 5 ~~[[3]]~~, further comprising:

a black matrix for preventing light from leaking around the TFTs, gate bus line, and data bus line;

a color filter layer on the second substrate; and

a second alignment layer on the color filter layer.

9. (Previously Presented) The in-plane switching mode liquid crystal display device according to claim 8, wherein the second alignment layer comprises one of ~~polyamide~~, polyimide, SiO<sub>2</sub>, polyvinylalcohol and polyamic acid.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Canceled)

12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 16 ~~[[12]]~~, wherein the first electrode includes data electrode and the second electrode includes common electrode.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 16 ~~[[14]]~~, wherein the passivation layer includes one of SiN<sub>x</sub> and SiO<sub>x</sub>.

16. (Currently Amended) A method of making an in-plane switching mode liquid crystal display device having first and second substrates, the method comprising the steps of:

forming a plurality of gate and data bus lines defining pixel regions and arranged on the first substrate;

forming a common line in the pixel region, the common line and the data bus lines having a crossing relationship;

forming a pair of first and second electrodes parallel to each other applying plane electric fields in the pixel regions; and

forming a liquid crystal layer between the first and second substrates;

wherein  $d\Delta n$  is in the range of 0.29-0.36 $\mu\text{m}$ , where  $d$  is the thickness of the liquid crystal layer, and  $\Delta n$  is the refractive anisotropy of the liquid crystal molecule;

forming a plurality of thin film transistors adjacent respective cross points of the gate and data bus lines, each of the thin film transistors including a gate electrode, a gate insulator, a semiconductor layer, and source and drain electrodes;

forming a passivation layer on the thin film transistors; and

forming a first alignment layer on the passivation layer;

~~[[The method according to claim 14,]]~~ wherein the first alignment layer comprises one of polyamide, polyimide, SiO<sub>2</sub>, polyvinylalcohol and polyamic acid.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 16 ~~[[14]]~~, further comprising the steps of:

forming a black matrix for preventing light from leaking around the thin film transistors, gate bus line, and data bus lines,

forming a color filter layer on the second substrate; and

forming a second alignment layer on the color filter layer.

20. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 19, wherein the second alignment layer comprises one of ~~polyamide~~, polyimide, SiO<sub>2</sub>, polyvinylalcohol and polyamic acid.

21. (Canceled)

22. (Canceled)

23. (Canceled)

24. (Canceled)

25. (Currently Amended) The in-plane switching mode liquid crystal display device according to claim 5 ~~[[1]]~~, wherein the common line is substantially perpendicular to the data bus lines.

26. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 16 ~~[[12]]~~, wherein the common line is substantially perpendicular to the data bus lines.

27. (Canceled)

28. (Canceled)